

Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI

Secretary of State Hay was informed, on the 8th, that Japan would gladly participate in a second peace conference.

The court house at Jamestown, Tennessee, referred to in Mark Twain's "Gilded Age," was burned by an incendiary on the 9th.

The supplemental brief of the government in the case of Senator Burton, of Kansas, was, on the 6th, filed in the supreme court of the United States.

The house of representatives, on the 9th, voted down a motion by Congressman Hepburn to cut from the appropriation bill the allowance for the civil service commission.

According to the London Post's Shanghai dispatch, on the 9th, the Port Arthur forces, with the exception of those manning the forts, have already retreated to Laote mountain.

Richard A. Canfield, on the 7th, pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with keeping a gambling house in New York city, and was discharged upon payment of \$1,000 fine.

Funeral services over James N. Tyner, former postmaster-general and assistant attorney-general for the post office department, were held at the Tyner residence in Washington, D. C., on the 8th.

The resolutions recently adopted by the representatives of the Russian zemstvos have been remitted to the council of state for their report, which is tantamount to their being shelved indefinitely.

The Kentucky appellate court, on the 6th, reversed the case of Caleb Powers and granted him a new trial. Powers is under sentence of death, charged with complicity in the assassination of William Goebel.

The expected conference of federal officials with Andrew Carnegie as to the Chadwick affair failed to take place on the 6th. Numerous other conferences were held in New York, but their details were not made public.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, the mysterious woman of questionable finances, arrested in New York city, on a federal charge, was unable to give a \$15,000 bond, and on the 8th, was incarcerated in the Tombs prison.

Because he was refused admission to the lower floor of a theater on account of his color, Henry C. Gibson, a negro constable of Peoria, Ill., was, on the 9th, given a verdict of \$25 by a jury composed mainly of business men.

Dr. L. G. H. E. Ziegler, who was physician to the late Mrs. Harriet G. McKiever, of Chicago, who died in Pasadena, Cal., last summer, has filed a claim in the probate court of Chicago against the McKiever estate for \$125,650.

George H. Ketchum, of Toledo, O., was, on the 8th, found not guilty of establishing a fraudulent record for his trotting stallion Crescens, after a hearing of the case before the board of appeals of the American Trotting association.

The jury in the land fraud case, which has been on trial at Portland, Ore., for over two weeks, brought in a verdict of guilty, on the 6th, for all the defendants with the exception of Miss Marie E. Ware, after 45 minutes' deliberation.

The climax came in the affairs of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, on the 7th, when she was placed under arrest in her apartments, at the Hotel Breslin, in New York city, charged with aiding and abetting a bank officer in embezzling \$12,500.

An official statement was given out by the interior department at Washington, on the 7th, announcing the government's purpose to prosecute every guilty man in the public land frauds to the full extent of the law, and regardless of his position in life.

A dispatch from Moscow, on the 6th, said that news had been received there, from Vladivostok, of the sinking by contact with a submarine mine, of the Japanese armored cruiser Adzuma, between the Kwan Tung peninsula, on which Port Arthur is situated, and the Shan Tung promontory.

One man is dead, three are in a hospital suffering from burns and lacerations, and several others are seriously hurt as the result of an explosion, on the 27th, in the generating house of the Consolidated Gas Co.'s plant in West Forty-fourth street, New York city.

The London Telegraph's correspondent before Port Arthur, telegraphed, on the 8th, that all of the Russian battleships and cruisers, together with the gunboats Goliath and Fusaednek, were sunk or destroyed, and that only the torpedo boats and destroyers remain intact.

Dr. J. B. Vernon, charged with bribery in connection with Charles L. Blanton, of the treasury department, who recently located the post office sites at Columbia, Moberly and Kirksville, Mo., was found guilty, on the 9th, by a jury in the federal court at Hannibal, Mo.

The post office department at Washington has peremptorily ordered James Keller, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, and President Cunningham of the Association of Rural Letter Carriers, to return to their duties at once. It is asserted that they have been perniciiously active in an effort to force salary legislation.

Advices by way of Tokyo, on the 6th, indicate that as the result of the success of the Japanese in employing heavy guns on 203-meter hill the Russian warships in the harbor of Port Arthur were in an exceedingly critical position, being repeatedly struck by heavy shells. The Japanese fleet is awaiting on the outside to meet them if they attempt a sortie.

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NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

FIFTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

(Second Session.)

SENATE.—The senate was called to order, on the 8th, by President pro tem Frye. Opening prayer was made by Chaplain Edward Everett Hale, D. D. A committee was appointed to wait on the president and inform him that Congress was ready to receive him. Resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, and Judge C. C. Tamm, of Pennsylvania, were adopted, and adjournment was taken as a further tribute to their memory. HOUSE.—The house was called to order by Speaker Cannon exactly at 12 o'clock. Rev. H. N. Coon, of the house chaplain, delivered the opening prayer. The only business outside of the usual first day routine was the adoption of a resolution extending until January 1905, the time within which the merchant marine commission may make its report. The house also adjourned out of respect to the late Senators Hoar and Clegg.

SENATE.—The senate was in session for more than two hours, on the 6th, and in addition to listening to the reading of the president's message, received a preliminary report from the merchant marine commission, witnessed the induction of Senators Knox and Crane into office, and an executive session referred the presidential nominations to the proper committees. The reading of the commissions of the two new senators attracted more attention than usual in such cases, because of their prominence, and senators generally did not fail to note the peculiar wording of Mr. Pennington's commission, wherein he conferred the office upon Mr. Knox, empowering him to hold it with all the emoluments and privileges until the next meeting of the legislature. HOUSE.—The house was called to order, on the 6th, by Speaker Cannon, and adjourned until Wednesday. During the first ten minutes of the session two minutes were spent in disposing of, but no other business was transacted.

SENATE.—The senate, on the 7th, reached a decision to vote on the Philippine civil government bill providing for the construction of railroads in the islands, and in addition to the bill, transacted considerable other business. Mr. Platt, of New York, created some confusion by introducing a bill providing for a reduction of the congressional representation of the southern states, and that many of the citizens of those states are deprived of their right to vote. The discussion of the time for voting on the Philippine bill was closed by the fact that there is a general understanding that the Christmas holiday recess will be observed on the 10th.

HOUSE.—The house was in session only five minutes, on the 7th, and adjourned until Monday. An attempt to secure consideration of the pure food bill was defeated by a demand of Mr. Aldrich that the bill be read at length, which brought an objection from Mr. Tamm, who did not want the time consumed. Mr. Tamm brought the case of William Crum, the colored man indicted for delivering at Charleston, S. C., into prominence by asking for a report from the committee on Judiciary as to the status of recess appointments. The senate, at 12:25, on motion of Mr. Aldrich, went into executive session, and adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.—The annual fight on the civil service commission was begun in the morning, on the 7th, by the reading of the legislative appropriation bill. The discussion brought out some semi-nominal comment on the presidential election. It related to the lack of votes which were cast for Mr. Parker, Mr. Williams, Mississippi, and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, participated in this feature of the debate. The session lasted five hours and fifteen minutes. At 5:30 p. m. the house adjourned until Friday.

SENATE.—The senate was not in session on the 9th, having adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.—The house passed the legislative appropriation bill, and adjourned until Monday. The civil service commission provisions disposed of, there was no long debate on any item. Throughout the session the policy of retrenchment held full sway, and all attempts to increase salaries failed. The house passed a resolution to adjourn on December 20 until January 4, 1905, for the usual Christmas holidays.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

A Mukden dispatch of the 6th said that Gen. Rennenkampf had inflicted a severe blow on the Japanese force attempting to turn his flank, meeting them with an ambush in the mouth of one of the mountain passes, and inflicting heavy loss with comparative immunity for his own men.

Who forged Andrew Carnegie's name to notes for \$1,250,000? This is the one important question around which the great mystery of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick is the central figure.

The harness shop of the government arsenal at Rock Island, Ill., was damaged by fire, on the 6th, to the extent of \$5,000, with a loss of \$15,000 on stock and machinery.

Oliver Pickett, a prisoner from the Hutchinson (Kas.) reformatory, leaped from the Santa Fe passenger train topeka, Kas., on the 9th, while the train was running at a high rate of speed and escaped. Pickett, who had previously escaped, was being returned to Hutchinson.

A Rock Island passenger train running between Kansas City, Mo., and Chicago, was wrecked near Clio, Ia., on the 8th, and Engineer Sharwood and Fireman Lewis were fatally scalded. The passengers were uninjured.

John Allen, who in July, 1903, shot and killed his wife near Luther, Okla., was found guilty, on the 9th, and sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary.

The main building of the Pontiac Shoe Manufacturing Co. at Pontiac, Ill., burned, on the 9th, with \$75,000 loss. Three hundred employees escaped in safety.

The Farmers' state bank of Lambert, O. T., was robbed, on the 8th, by three men, who dynamited the safe, containing \$3,000. The robbers escaped.

Russian prisoners of the Japanese report that the food supply of the Port Arthur garrison is insufficient. The appearance of the prisoners is said to substantiate their statements; they are well clothed but emaciated. Dysentery and typhoid are said to be quite prevalent.

The package containing the alleged securities held for Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick by Iri Reynolds was opened at Cleveland, O., on the 9th, and was found to contain a note for \$5,000,000, payable one year from January 3, 1902, signed by Andrew Carnegie. The find caused a sensation.

Only the Serastopol of the Russian battleships remains above water in Port Arthur harbor. Eight destroyers are still intact. It is said the strength of the garrison does not exceed 6,000 effective men.

An unconfirmed report comes from Shanghai that the Russian cruiser Askold is coaling and replacing her machinery preparatory to an effort to escape and join the fleet of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky.

Judge Cronin, Constable "Cuddy Mack" and Jack Shannon, three prominent politicians of St. Louis, were each victimized by a smooth man and woman, who sold them phony diamonds for \$50 each and got away with the money.

According to the report of the Philippine exposition boards at the World's Fair the Igorrotes were the best source of income in the exhibit, showing a total received for admissions of \$200,387.18. The total receipts from all sources during the exposition were \$522,086.25.

Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw, on the 8th, made public the annual report of his department.

William Nichols, aged 88, convicted of the murder of Alfred Minard, a civil war veteran, at Kenton, O., in July, 1903, was electrocuted in the annex at the Ohio penitentiary, at Columbus, on the 9th.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

A popular anti-government demonstration began in the Nevski prospect in St. Petersburg, on the 11th. Hundreds of police and mounted gendarmes who were hidden in the court yard of the public buildings, emerged suddenly, and charged the crowd at full gallop, driving the demonstrators in headlong confusion and screaming with terror upon the sidewalks and into adjacent streets. Large numbers were arrested.

With her bow stove in, the marine telegraph disabled, and forward wheel twisted, the Belgravia, of the Hamburg-American line, arrived in New York city, on the 11th, from Cuxhaven, with tales of a six hour experience in a hurricane that threw 1,200 of her 1,870 steerage passengers into panic December 6. No lives were lost.

Several hundred schoolboys and students assembled in Paris, France, on the 11th, with the object of making a demonstration at the grave of Deputy Syveton. The police broke up the groups, prevented a procession and closed the cemetery.

With \$1,880 in currency in their pockets, two men, believed by the authorities to be the men who robbed the Peoria (Ill.) national bank on December 10, were arrested at Toulon, Ill., on the 11th.

A heavy snowfall prevailed, on the 11th, throughout the states of Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and the northwestern part of Indiana.

The engagement of Miss Daisy Leiter, of Chicago, sister of Lady Curzon to the early of Suffolk and Berkshire of England, was announced on the 11th.

The safe in the post office at Finland, Ill., was blown, on the 11th, by robbers, who procured \$100 in cash and about \$400 in stamps.

B. B. Graham, president of the Graham Paper Co., of St. Louis, died in St. Luke's hospital, in that city, on the 12th.

Lord Mayor Pound, of London, England, has issued an appeal for funds for the relief of the unemployed of that city.

Postmaster-General Wynne and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Metcalf have made public their annual reports.

A rare canonization ceremony was witnessed by 60,000 people at St. Peter's church in Rome on the 11th.

SENATE.—The senate, on the 12th, had under consideration the pure food and Philippine government bills. Debate on the former was confined to calling attention to the inadequacy of the protection accorded to the people of the United States against impure foods and drugs. The discussion of the Philippines bill related solely to the question of the guarantee by the Philippines government of the income or interests on the bonds on railroads of those islands. Mr. Spooner, of Wisconsin, was the leader in the criticism.

HOUSE.—The house transacted quite a large amount of miscellaneous business, starting with pension bills, and considering the Hill financial bill later in the day. A number of bills of local character were passed, and an adjournment was forced for lack of a quorum when an attempt was made to pass the joint resolution granting the use of the Washington monument lot for the American railway appliance exhibition. The bill transferring the forest reserves from the department of the interior to the agricultural department, which has been pending in congress for several years, was passed.

The case of former Councilman Charles Kratz, of St. Louis, charged with bribery in connection with the Suburban railway deal, which was called for trial in the circuit court at Butler, Mo., on the 12th, was continued until January 2, on the strength of a certificate of a St. Louis physician, who made affidavit that he was too ill to appear.

The supreme court of the United States has decided against the Western Union Telegraph Co., in its case against the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., owing to the latter's tearing down Western Union poles and wires along the railway right-of-way, upon the termination of its contract in 1902.

Three witnesses were heard, on the 12th, in the case of Senator Reed Smoot before the senate committee on privileges and elections. The committee resumed its investigation after a long recess.

Senator Stewart introduced a bill in the senate, on the 12th, to fix presidential and congressional salaries. It proposes to raise the salary of the president to \$100,000 a year.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, the female Napoleon of finance, was twice indicted by the grand jury of Cuyahoga county, O., on the 12th.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

To Investigate Woman's Death.

Last October Mrs. Frank McLain, 28 years old, who lived three miles north-west of Hale, in the southern edge of Livingston county, died after an illness of 24 hours, and was buried at Hale. She was taken sick early in the morning, and when the physicians came she was in convulsions and died early the next morning. Now Dr. McClure, of Kentucky, is at Carrollton, and has taken action to have the body exhumed, so that a chemical analysis may be made. He states that relatives in Kentucky have become suspicious and desire to investigate the cause of the woman's death. His opinion is that she died of strychnine poisoning. Mrs. McLain, previous to her death, was in good health. Dr. McClure says the report was circulated that she was subjected to convulsive fits. Dr. Kemp, one of the physicians who attended Mrs. McLain during her illness, has declined to make a statement concerning the cause of her death.

Voted for John Q. Adams.
Marshal Baker Witter celebrated his one hundred and second birthday at Milan. He was born in Vermont in 1802, one year before the Louisiana purchase, which made Missouri territory a part of the United States. He cast his first vote for John Q. Adams for president, and has voted the republican ticket at every election since. He is entirely blind, but otherwise his faculties are good. He takes a walk each day, with the aid of an attendant, when the weather is good. Mr. Witter named the city of Milan. He has seven living children.

Dr. Vernon Convicted.
Dr. J. B. Vernon, charged with bribery in connection with Charles L. Blanton, of the treasury department, who recently located the post office sites at Columbia, Moberly and Kirksville, was convicted by a jury at Hannibal. There were three indictments against him covering each town, and he was found guilty on all of them. An appeal will be taken. The trial of Charles L. Blanton will probably be continued to the next term of court.

Only Curious.
The Kansas City police arrested Charles Shelton, Joseph Hedges, Burton Snyder and Gwen Snyder, each under 22 years of age, for attempting to wreck a Missouri Pacific passenger train by placing a cross-tie on the track. The tie was discovered in time, and a wreck was prevented. The men told the police that their object was not robbery, but merely a desire to see what would result.

Chess Game by Post Cards.
A match game of chess between the champion chess team of Missouri university and Yale is now going on, the game being conducted by means of postal cards. In a series of games carried on last winter, Missouri university was very successful, but this is the first game tried with an eastern school, and will be the first test of the relative strength of eastern and western chess teams.

Students Asked to Be Honest.
President Jesse, in an address to the senior classes of the state university, made a strong plea for honesty in examinations. He asked that the students themselves take up the matter at the midyear examination and by their own methods and co-operation to away with cheating.

Fatal Fall From Scaffold.
John Fredholm was instantly killed and C. A. Kallman seriously injured by the giving way of the scaffolding on which they were standing while working on a frame barn which they were building for P. A. Kallman, on his farm, four miles west of Mountain Grove.

Clever Work.
Working under the voluminous folds of a fashionable woman's sleeve in a crowded street car, light-fingered St. Louis thieves took a \$200 diamond from the ear of Mrs. J. R. Johnson, of Dallas, Tex.

Want to Divide Estate.
Heirs of Ethelbert T. Sweeney, who mysteriously disappeared in 1899 from Lamonte, where he lived under the name of Lovell, seek to establish his death and obtain a partition of his estate.

Mrs. De Armond Dead.
Mrs. Catherine De Armond, mother of Congressman D. A. De Armond, died at Butler. She was 90 years old, and had made her home with her son for the last twenty years.

Gratifying Statistics.
The forthcoming report of Superintendent Carrington will show a large increase in the number of pupils enrolled and in attendance in the public schools of the state.

Machinist Killed.
Joseph Walz, aged 53, a machinist, was instantly killed in the shafting of a wheel in the mill of the John C. Flink Mineral Milling Co., in St. Louis.

Could Not Survive the Shock.
Edward R. Jones, a farmer east of New Cambria, died from the effects of the amputation of an arm, which was mangled in a corn shredder.

Beginning Early.
Although V. T. Williams' term does not expire until February 11, 1906, Stannery politicians are already fighting for the postmastership.

Noted Preacher Resigns Pastorate.
After a pastorate of 21 years, Rev. Dr. Boyd has resigned charge of the Second Baptist church, St. Louis. Too much politics, some say.

Strange, But True.
A little over \$286,000 is the price received by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition for buildings and materials which cost \$15,000,000.

His Last Attempt.
Pearl Bull, a 16-year-old boy, was killed at Anderson, in attempting to board a freight train of the Kansas City Southern railway.

Cleveland Appointee Dead.
Jerry Bush, 58 years old, postmaster at Centralia, under Cleveland, died of typhoid fever.

RUSSIANS WAVE BLOOD-RED FLAG

Big Anti-Government Demonstration in St. Petersburg.

Mounted Officers Rode at Full Gallop Into the Maddened Throng, Leaving Bruised and Broken Heads in Their Wake.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—A popular anti-government demonstration, the participants in which included the arguments of students of both sexes, began Sunday in the Nevsky prospect, and lasted about two hours. Hundreds of police and mounted gendarmes who were hidden in the court yard of the public buildings, emerged suddenly, and charged the crowd at full gallop, driving the demonstrators in headlong confusion and screaming with terror upon the sidewalks and into adjacent streets. This led to serious encounters, 50 persons being more or less severely injured. Large numbers were arrested.

Not since the riots of 1901, when Cossacks reached across the Nevski prospect, from building to building and charged down the boulevard from the Moscow station to the Neva, has the Russian capital lived through such a day of excitement as this. The authorities Saturday night got wind of the big anti-government demonstration planned for Sunday by the social-democratic labor party to demand an immediate end of the war and the convocation of a national assembly, and leading every paper, Sunday morning, in black-faced type, was an explicit warning to the people, at their peril, to desist from congregating in the Nevsky prospect, near the Kazan cathedral. As the same time, extensive preparations were made to quell any disturbance. The police on the Nevsky prospect were sexupled, and the dvorniks, or house porters, were marshaled in front of their respective buildings. Half a dozen squadrons of mounted gendarmes were massed in the rear of the Kazan cathedral, and battalions of reserve police were stationed in several court yards out of sight.

Warnings Not Heeded.
The newspaper warnings, however, by giving notice to those not apprised of the prospect of a demonstration, defeated the very object for which they were designed, attracting, seemingly, the whole population of this vast city to the broad thoroughfare; and long before the hour fixed, despite the pleadings of the police, who literally lined the sidewalks, the throngs on the pavements were so dense that movement was almost impossible, while the snow-covered boulevard was black with a tangled mass of sleighs filled mostly with the curious.

Towards one o'clock the workmen and students seemed to swarm toward the corner of Hotel Europe, opposite the Kazan cathedral. The police, recognizing that the critical moment was approaching, tried in vain to keep back the human tide. Then, when there was not a single mounted policeman in sight, on the stroke of one, from the heart of the thickly-wedged crowd a blood-red flag, like a jet of flame, suddenly shot up. It was the signal. Other flags appeared in the crowd, waving frantically overhead, and they were greeted with a hoarse roar, "Down with autocracy!" The students surged into the street, singing the "Marseillaise," while innocent spectators, seeking to extricate themselves, crowded into doorways and huddled walls.

Beat Back Police.
Dismounted police made a single attempt to force their way into the crowd to wrest the flags from the demonstrators, but the students and workmen, armed with sticks, stood close, and beat back the assailants. Then, like a flash, from behind the Kazan cathedral came a squadron of gendarmes. The doors of adjoining court yards were thrown back, and battalions of police came out. A double squadron charged the flank of demonstrators with drawn sabres. Five other squadrons circled the mob, cutting through the fringe of spectators, who gladly scurried to cover. The main wedge of the demonstrators stood fast only a moment or two. There was a sharp rattle of cudgels and sabres, though the wounds showed the police struck principally with the flat of their sabres. The women were especially fierce in their resistance. Many were struck and trampled, and blood streamed down their faces.

In the meantime, those confined in the court yards, who were recognized as agitators, were arrested, but others were allowed to go quietly home, the wounded first having their injuries dressed. There were probably a hundred broken heads, and several were severely wounded, though none fatally, so far as ascertainable. So far there have been over 100 arrests.

Oldest Unitarian Clergyman Dead.
New York, Dec. 12.—Rev. John V. Chadwick, aged 65, one of the oldest clergymen in point of service in the Unitarian church, and widely known as a writer, as well as a pastor, died of heart disease at his home in Brooklyn.

Col. Alex. S. Johnson Dead.
Topeka, Kas., Dec. 11.—Col. Alexander S. Johnson died, Friday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Fargo, in Dallas, Tex. Col. Johnson was the first white child born in what is now the state of Kansas.

Not Known at Joplin.
Joplin, Mo., Dec. 11.—Mary Leane, who created a sensation in New York city by prosecuting a masher, is not known here. Mayor T. W. Cunningham denies her statement that he is her guardian.

Were Not Separated in Death.
Concordia, Kas., Dec. 11.—Joseph Nauaen, aged 83 years, and his wife, aged 70, died here within a few hours of each other. They came here from Canada in the seventies and were wealthy.

COTTON WAREHOUSE PLAN

Movement in Progress Designed to Benefit the Cotton Planter.

A System of Co-Operative Warehouses Throughout the Southern States in Contemplation.

St. Louis, Dec. 11.—Judge Eugene Williams, of Waco, Tex., is in St. Louis endeavoring to interest local capitalist in the Texas cotton warehouse scheme, which, he believes, will enable the planter to fix the price of the staple.

Judge Williams evolved the plan for a system of warehouses throughout the southern states, the planter, merchant and capitalist co-operating, and he has already secured the support of these interests.

He hopes to secure financial assistance in St. Louis and believes it is only a question of putting the proposition concisely before the moneyed interests to secure whatever backing is necessary for the success of the venture.

His plan provides for the organization of auxiliary companies in each county of the cotton-producing states, the relations of the several companies being similar to those of the individual state to the national government.

He will discuss these plans in detail with some of the local capitalists, who have large interests in the cotton-producing states, and believes that what has been done in the wheat market can be accomplished in cotton.

He proposes to have the cotton stored in the warehouses, making the consumer deal directly with the planter for the staple, the surplus staple being carried over from season to season, if necessary. He believes that, in this way, better and more uniform prices will obtain.

PEORIA BANK ROBBED.

Bold Daylight Robbery of the Peoria (Ill.) National Bank at Peoria.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 11.—The Peoria National bank, in the heart of the business district, was held up at broad noon Saturday. The robbery was committed by three men, who, with their faces partly concealed by slouch hats, rushed inside and, covering Teller Frederick Bracken with two revolvers, reached through the window and, seizing about \$500 in currency and silver, fled.

The three men dashed out of the building after warning everybody to make a move, and, leaping into a buggy standing near, lashed the horse into a run.

The streets were crowded at the time, and a crowd was immediately in pursuit of the men, but at last accounts they had not been captured.

ONE GOOD AS THE OTHER.

A North Carolina Solomon Who Had His Own Ideas on the Justice of a Case.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 11.—Because her alleged partner in crime, M. W. Thomas, a white man, was declared innocent by a white jury who found a colored woman, Alice Jackson, guilty, in the criminal court here, Judge W. R. Allen declared to the trial judge that he could not under the circumstances sentence the woman and release the man, and the judge ordered her release. The solicitor concurred in the matter. While the formal charge was an affray, it was alleged that the man and the woman had been guilty of improper conduct.

TO REDUCE COTTON SUPPLY.

Alabama Merchants and Planters Planning to Burn a Million Bales of Cotton.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 11.—A dozen merchants and farmers of Scottsboro propose to burn 1,000,000 bales of cotton to reduce the supply.

They offer to pro-rate a share of 50 bales each with planters in Alabama, Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Mississippi and Georgia.

Farmers are organizing to hold the crop for ten cents.

ALLEGED ROBBERS CAUGHT

Men Thought to Have Robbed Peoria (Ill.) Bank Under Arrest at Toulon.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 12.—With \$1,880 in currency in their pockets, two men, believed by the authorities to be the men who robbed the Peoria national bank Saturday noon, are under arrest at Toulon. One of them has been identified as Edward O'Regan, alias Jim Williams, "The Jap," who had served a sentence in a Chicago jail for robbery. The identity of his partner has not been fixed.

No News From Sent of War.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—There is no news of importance from the front. The bombardment of Poutloff (Lone Tree) hill was renewed vigorously at dawn on December 9, but slackened after a few hours, without a direct attack.

Oklahoma Broker Indicted.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 11.—The grand jury has returned an indictment against Maj. T. N. McGinley, a civil and Indian war veteran, charging him with embezzling \$3,000. McGinley is a bond broker and banker.

Ratified by Wilhelmiana.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Minister Newell has notified the state department the appropriation of \$176,000 by the Netherlands government for a purchase for the site for the Carnegie "palace of peace."

Ingalls Memorial Ceremonies.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The Kansas delegation has decided to hold the Ingalls memorial ceremonies, attending the gift of the Ingalls statue in statutory hall to the government on a Saturday early in January.

MRS. CHADWICK TWICE INDICTED

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